# Tank PzKpfw VI "Tiger" S13 Das Reich

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## HISTORICAL REFERENCE

Back in 1940, German designers were thinking about creating a heavy breakthrough tank, a "steel battering ram" on tracks with a large cannon, like the French B1. Also, the Germans were haunted by the British "Matilda" and later the Soviet KV and the work went faster. Firms Porsche and Henschel proposed variants of the tank, in 1942, after testing, they chose the Henschel variant and named it "Tiger". The tank was heavily armored and had a powerful 88 mm cannon (tank version of the anti-aircraft gun). For the first time, "Tigers" took part in the battles near Leningrad (Mga station) and in

Tunisia, they showed themselves controversially, the gun was really powerful, but there were frequent breakdowns and difficulties with evacuation, some problems were eliminated. Later, the "Tigers" were on all the fronts of the Second World War (where the Wehrmacht fought) and were the most dangerous opponents for any Allied tank. Since these tanks were "piece goods", each of them was unique and interesting for historians.

## WHAT IS THE TANK TAKEN FOR THE BASIS OF THE PAPER MODEL?

It was this "Tiger" (specifically a paper model) with the tower number S13 that fought on the Eastern Front as part of the SS Das Reich division, as evidenced by the unit marks on the frontal armor and on the rear mud flap, a running line on the tower and the design of the number on the tower ... This Tiger took part in Operation Citadel (the Battle of Kursk in the summer of 1943), there are photographs of this Tiger on the Internet in those places at the front.

Photo of the tank Tiger S13, Kursk 1943

# PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS

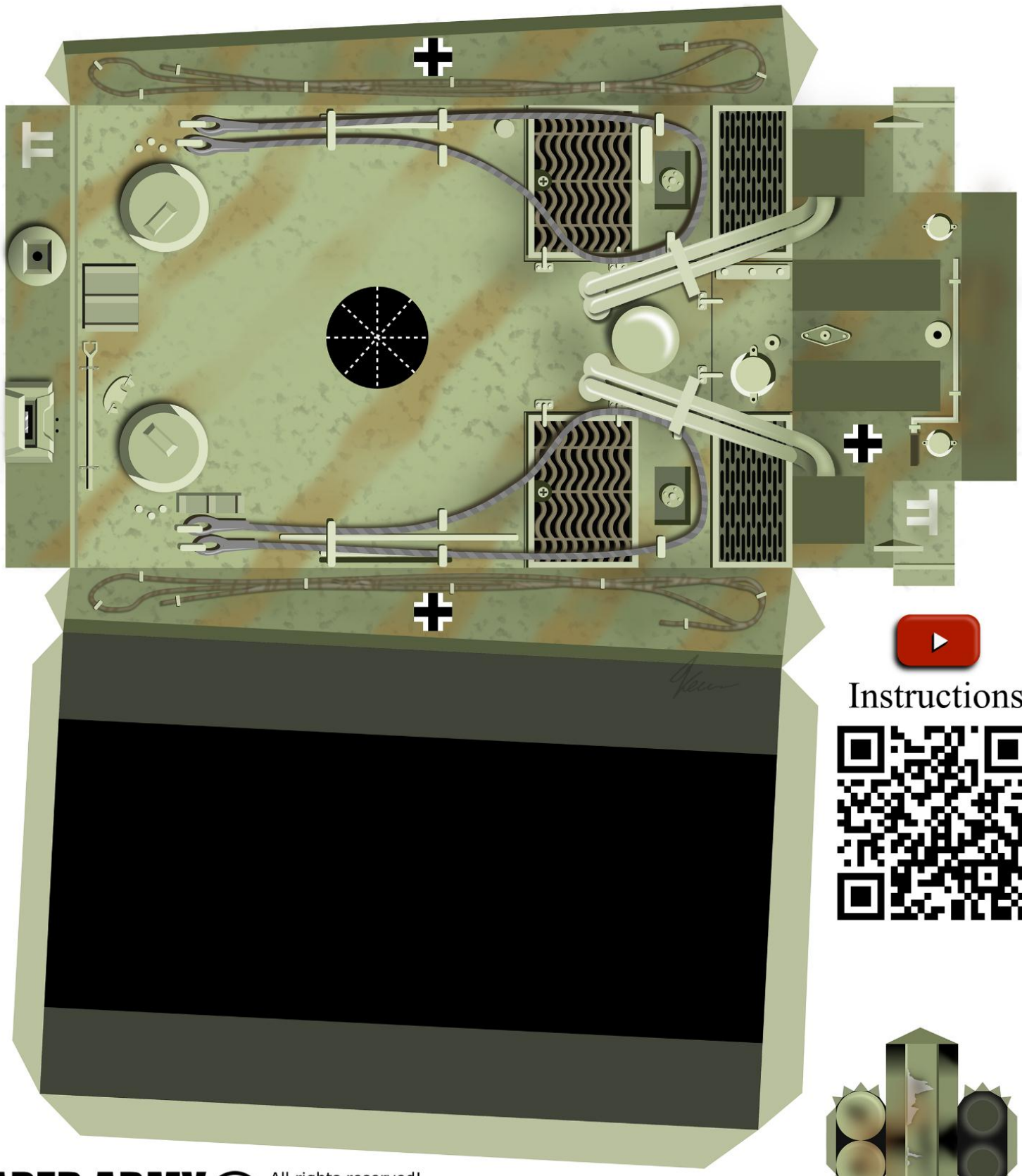
To print a model of a tank, you need to select sheets of a document with a template, printing is carried out on A4 sheets (international format, 210 by 297 mm), if you have a different paper size, it's okay, you can print on it, the main thing in this case is do not stretch on the whole sheet (violation of the aspect ratio of the sheet), since this will change all the dimensions of the model, if, when printing on a different format, it turns out that there is an empty space on the sheet - let it remain, if the model is reduced in size, this is also not scary, there will be changes insignificant.

# CUTTING AND GLUING INSTRUCTIONS

For all models, a separate video assembly instruction is provided, this video is available on my "Paper Army" YouTube channel at this link – "How to make paper Tiger tank S13" (Rights reserved, commercial use is prohibited, deposit has been made).

# FRIENDS

All models are free, but they are created with difficulty to support the author of the models and the "Paper Army" channel watch the video on this link to the end – "Paper tank Tiger S13", this is a video with a review of the assembled the same model of the Tiger tank You downloaded, with epic music, there is also a video of this Tiger tank in action (stop motion) - Tiger S13 tank in action, watching the video to the end, like and commenting will help the channel in promoting and other lovers of collecting paper models will see the video and also come to the channel - this is the best support, thanks;)



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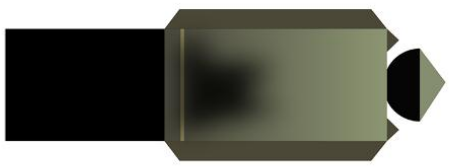

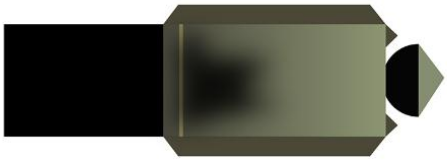

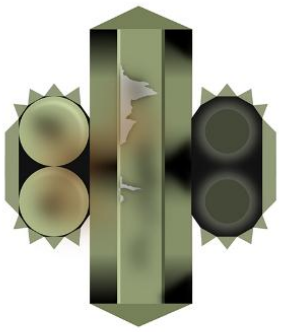

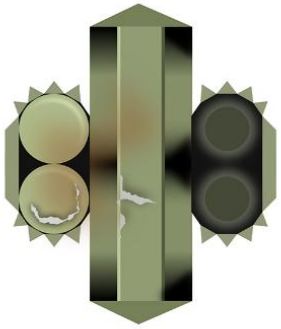

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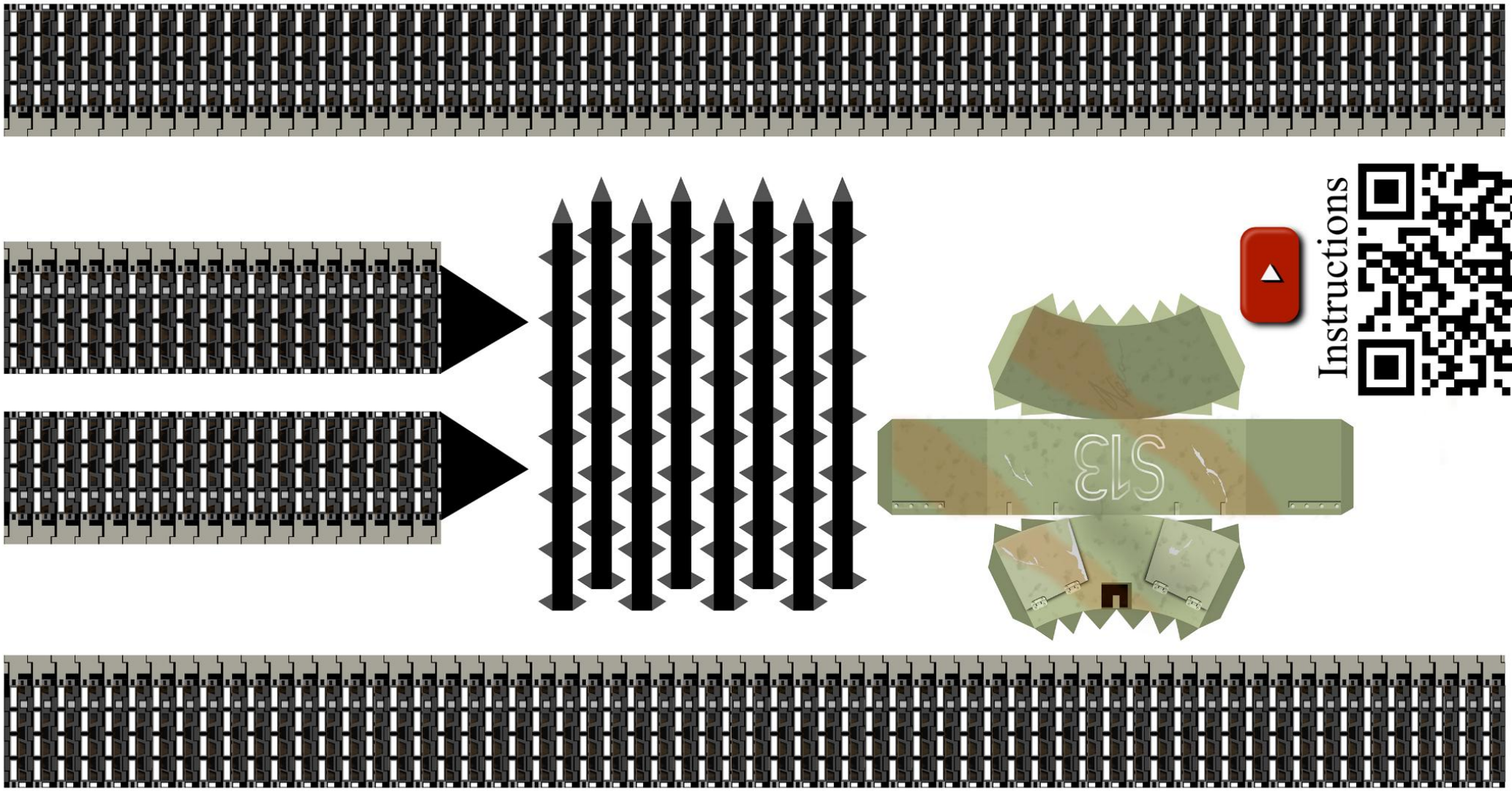

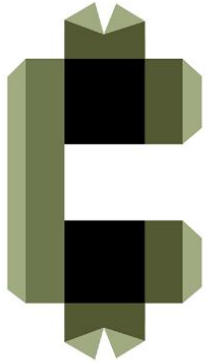

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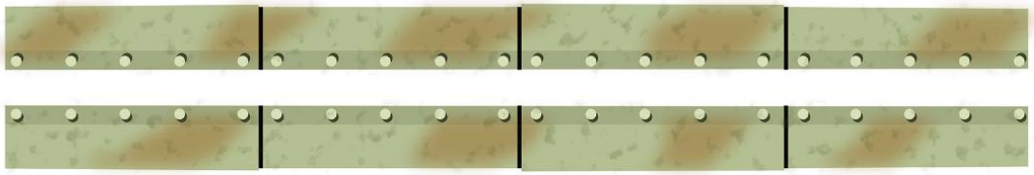

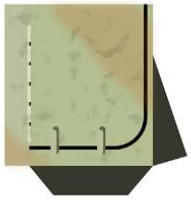

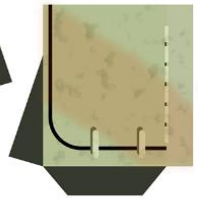

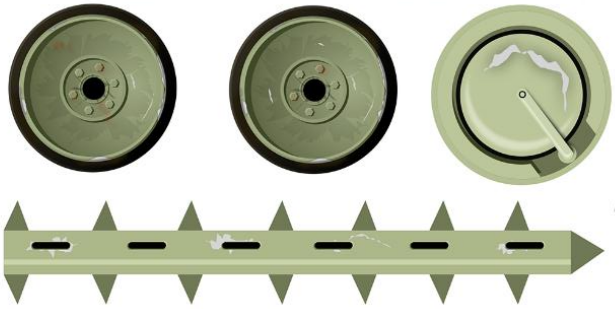

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